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Ph.D. in Physics, University of Toronto, "Nonlocal models of Goldstone bosons in asymptotically free gauge theories;" advisor: Professor Bob Holdom, 1985-1990.

M.Sc. in Physics, University of Toronto, "Cosmological implications of weakly interacting massive particles;" advisor: Professor Bob Holdom, 1984-1985.

B.Sc. in Physics, University of Alberta, 1980-1984.

Professional Experience

Staff Member	LANL	2001-
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Research Associate	U. of California, Berkeley	1996-1999
Research Associate	Boston University	1993-1996
Postdoctoral Fellow	Yale University	1990-1993
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Scholarships and Fellowships

Japan Society for the Promotion of Science Fellowship:	Apr. 96
Superconducting Super Collider Fellowship:	Sept. 92 - Aug. 93
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NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award:	May 84 - Aug. 84
NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award:	May 83 - Aug. 83
University of Alberta Bursary:	Sept. 82 - Apr. 83
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Invited Plenary Conference Talks

- "What's so Little about the Little Higgs?" COSMO-03, Ambleside, UK, Aug. 25-29, 2003.
- "Glueballs and AdS/CFT," Phenomenology of Large N_c QCD," Tempe Arizona, Jan. 8 11, 2002.
- "Duality Meets Phenomenology," SUSY 2000, CERN, June 26 Jul. 1, 2000.
- "Glueball mass spectrum from supergravity," New Directions in QCD, Korea, June 21-25, 1999.
- "Glueball mass spectrum from supergravity," Aspen Winter Conference, Jan. 11-16, 1999.
- "The End of Technicolor," Recent Developments in Phenomenology, U. of Wisconsin-Madison, Mar. 17-19, 1997.
- "Tightwad tests of technicolor," Aspen Winter Conference, Jan. 17-23, 1994.
- "An extended technicolor model," New Physics at New Facilities, Case Western Reserve U., Oct. 15-17, 1993.
- "Technicolor and precision electroweak measurements," Aspen Winter Conference, Jan. 10-16, 1993.
- "Extended technicolor model building," International Workshop on Electroweak Symmetry Breaking, Hiroshima, Japan, Nov. 12-15, 1991.

Invited Conference Talks

- "Beyond Orbifolds: Life without a Higgs," Quantum Theory and Symmetries, U. of Cincinnati, Sept. 10-14, 2003.
- "Dimming Extragalactic Supernovae via Axions," COSMO-02, Chicago, Illinois, September 18-21, 2002.
- "Single sector supersymmetry breaking," Division of Particles and Fields, Los Angeles, Jan. 5-9, 1999.
- "Glueball Mass Spectrum from Supergravity," Division of Particles and Fields, Los Angeles, Jan. 5-9, 1999.
- "Comments on technicolour model building," Beyond the Standard Model III, Carleton U., Ottawa, Canada, June 22-24, 1992.
- "Mass enhancement and critical behavior in technicolor theories," The Vancouver Meeting: Particles and Fields '91, Vancouver, Canada, Aug. 18-22, 1991.

Summer Schools

- "Particle Cosmology" Santa Fe Comsology Workshop, July 2002.
- "Non-perturbative Methods in Supersymmetry," TASI, June 2002.

Seminars

- "Beyond Orbifolds: Life without a Higgs," Aspen July 1, 2003.
- "Bevond Orbifolds: Life without a Higgs," U.C. Davis May 23, 2003.
- "Beyond Orbifolds: Life without a Higgs," U.C. Berkeley May 19, 2003.
- "Extra Dimensions: A Reality Check," Boston U., Oct. 23, 2002.
- "Extra Dimensions: A Reality Check," Yale U., Oct. 23, 2002.
- "Dimming Supernaovae by Axions," U. Maryland, Apr. 29, 2002.
- "The Randall-Sundrum Model and Electroweak Physics," Cornell U. Apr. 23, 2002.

- "Dimming Supernaovae by Axions," SLAC, Feb. 27, 2002.
- "Dimming Supernaovae by Axions," U.C. Berkeley, Nov. 19, 2001.
- "S-color and the μ problem," U. of Toronto, May. 31, 2001.
- "Supersymmetric electroweak symmetry breaking," Yale, Sep. 26, 2000.
- "Holographic RG and Cosmology," Aspen, Aug. 22, 2000.
- "Holographic RG and Cosmology," Los Alamos/Santa Fe Workshop, Aug. 8, 2000.
- "Holographic RG and Cosmology," CERN, Jul. 6, 2000.
- "Holographic RG and Cosmology," McGill, Apr.18, 2000.
- "Holographic RG and Cosmology," U. of Cincinnati, May 22, 2000.
- "Supersymmetric electroweak symmetry breaking," Boston U., Mar. 22, 2000.
- "Supersymmetric electroweak symmetry breaking," William and Mary, Mar. 17, 2000.
- "Supersymmetric electroweak symmetry breaking," Los Alamos, Feb. 28, 2000.
- "Orbifolds and the hierarchy problem," SLAC, Aug. 2, 1999.
- "Single sector supersymmetry breaking," Harvard U., Feb. 24, 1999.
- "Glueball mass spectrum from supergravity," MIT, Feb. 22, 1999.
- "Glueball mass spectrum from supergravity," U. Arizona, Jan. 26, 1999.
- "Glueball mass spectrum from supergravity," U.C. Irvine, Nov. 24, 1998.
- "Glueball mass spectrum from supergravity," U.C. San Diego, Jun. 22, 1998.
- "Glueball mass spectrum from supergravity," Stanford, Jun. 18, 1998.
- "Composite quarks and leptons from dynamical SUSY breaking," U.C. Santa Cruz, Jun. 4, 1998.
- "Composite quarks and leptons from dynamical SUSY breaking," U. Oregon, Jun. 2, 1998.
- "Composite quarks and leptons from dynamical SUSY breaking," U. Rochester, May 11, 1998.
- "Composite quarks and leptons from dynamical SUSY breaking," Yale, April 21, 998.
- "Composite quarks and leptons from dynamical SUSY breaking," Fermilab, Feb. 26, 1998.
- "Composite quarks and leptons from dynamical SUSY breaking," Michigan State U., Feb. 24, 1998.
- "Composite quarks and leptons from dynamical SUSY breaking," Carnegie Mellon, Feb. 23, 1998.
- "Composite quarks and leptons from dynamical SUSY breaking," U. Michigan, Feb. 19, 1998.
- "Composite quarks and leptons from dynamical SUSY breaking," SUNY Stony Brook, Feb. 2, 1998.
- "New mechanisms of dynamical SUSY breaking and direct gauge mediation," Stanford, Nov. 24, 1997.
- "New mechanisms of dynamical SUSY breaking and direct gauge mediation," U.C., Davis, Oct. 7, 1997.
- "The zero temperature chiral phase transition in QCD," Rutgers, May 20, 1997.
- "The zero temperature chiral phase transition in QCD," IAS, Princeton, May 19, 1997.
- "Self-duality and the confinement Transition," U. Toronto, Mar. 21, 1997.
- "The zero temperature chiral phase transition in QCD," U. Washington, Mar. 11, 1997.
- "Self-duality and the confinement Transition," U.C. San Diego, Feb. 24, 1997.
- "Self-duality and the confinement Transition," Yale, Feb. 14, 1997.

- "The zero temperature chiral phase transition in QCD," Kanazawa U., Apr. 22, 1996.
- "SUSY duals with adjoint matter," Tokyo Metropolitan U., Apr. 19, 1996.
- "The zero temperature chiral phase transition in QCD," KEK, Japan, Apr. 18, 1996.
- "The zero temperature chiral phase transition in QCD," Tohoku U., Apr. 16, 1996.
- "The zero temperature chiral phase transition in QCD," Nagoya U., Apr. 10, 1996.
- "SUSY duals with adjoint matter," Nagoya U., Apr. 9, 1996.
- "SUSY duals with adjoint matter," Kyoto U., Apr. 4, 1996.
- "SUSY duals with adjoint matter," U. Cincinnati, Feb. 26, 1996.
- "The zero temperature chiral phase transition in QCD," Fermilab, Feb. 15, 1996.
- "SUSY duals with adjoint matter," Harvard, Feb. 7, 1996.
- "Phase transitions in particle physics:, Duke, Feb. 5, 1996.
- "Precision electroweak measurements," Ohio State U., Feb. 15, 1995.
- "Precision electroweak measurements," McGill, Feb. 10, 1995.
- "Symmetry breaking in three dimensional QED," Harvard, Jan. 11, 1995.
- "Precision electroweak measurements and technicolor, U.C. Santa Cruz, Nov. 8, 1994.
- "Precision electroweak measurements and technicolor," LBNL, Nov. 4, 1994.
- "Precision electroweak measurements and technicolor," Brookhaven, Nov. 2, 1994.
- "Low energy tests of technicolor," ITP, Santa Barbara, Mar. 14, 1994.
- "Low energy tests of technicolor," MIT, Apr. 20, 1994.
- "Low energy tests of technicolor," Columbia, Feb. 23, 1994.
- "Extended technicolor and neutrinos," Carnegie Mellon, Oct. 13, 1993.
- "Extended technicolor and precision electroweak measurements," U.C. Santa Cruz, Nov. 24, 1992.
- "A chiral Lagrangian from quarks with dynamical masses," U. Cincinnati, May 15, 1992.
- "Monopole non-annihilation at the electroweak scale," U. Cincinnati, May 18, 1992.
- "Extended technicolor model building," Nagoya U., Nov. 18, 1991.
- "A chiral Lagrangian from quarks with dynamical masses," CEBAF, Newport News, May 31, 1991.
- "A chiral Lagrangian from quarks with dynamical masses," U. Mass.-Amherst, Nov. 13, 1990.
- "A chiral Lagrangian from quarks with dynamical masses," ITP, Santa Barbara, June 20, 1990.
- "A model for low-energy QCD," TRIUMF, Vancouver, Feb. 6, 1990.

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- 2. TASI-2002 lectures: Non-perturbative supersymmetry, J. Terning, to be published in the proceedings of the TASI-2002 summer school, hep-th/0306119.
- 3. A simple model of two little Higgses, W. Skiba and J. Terning, to be published in Phys. Rev. D, hep-ph/0305302.
- 4. Gauge theories on an interval: Unitarity without a Higgs, C. Csáki, C. Grojean, H. Murayama, L. Pilo, J. Terning, submitted to Phys. Rev. D, hep-ph/0305237.
- Variations of little Higgs models and their electroweak constraints, C. Csáki, J. Hubisz,
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- 6. Super-GZK photons from photon axion mixing, C. Csáki, N. Kaloper, M. Peloso, J. Terning, JCAP 0305 (2003) 005, hep-ph/0302030.
- 7. Review Of Particle Physics, K. Hagiwara *et al.* [Particle Data Group Collaboration], Phys. Rev. D66 (2002) 010001.
- 8. Big corrections from a little Higgs, C. Csáki, J. Hubisz, G. D. Kribs, P. Meade, J. Terning, Phys. Rev. D67 (2003) 115002, hep-ph/0211124.
- 9. Seiberg-Witten description of the deconstructed 6D (0,2) theory, C. Csáki, J. Erlich, J. Terning, Phys. Rev. D 67, 025019 (2003) hep-th/0208095.
- 10. Constraints on the SU(3) Electroweak Model, C. Csáki, J. Erlich, G. D. Kribs, J. Terning, Phys. Rev. D66 (2002) 075008, hep-ph/0204109.
- 11. Glueballs and AdS/CFT, J. Terning, Proceedings of the Institute of Nuclear Theory-Vol.12, Phenomenology of Large N_c QCD, R.F. Lebed ed. (World Scientific, Singapore, 2002), hep-ph/0204012.
- 12. The effective lagrangian in the Randall-Sundrum model and electroweak physics, C. Csáki, J. Erlich, and J. Terning, Phys. Rev. D66 (2002) 064021, hep-ph/0203034.
- 13. Effects of the intergalactic plasma on supernova dimming via photon axion oscillations, C. Csáki, N. Kaloper, and J. Terning, Phys. Lett. B535 (2002) 33, hep-ph/0112212.
- 14. Dimming supernovae without cosmic acceleration, C. Csáki, N. Kaloper, and J. Terning, Phys. Rev. Lett. 88 (2002) 161302, hep-ph/0111311.
- 15. 4-D models of Scherk-Schwarz GUT breaking via deconstruction, C. Csáki, G. D. Kribs, and J. Terning, Phys. Rev. D65 (2002) 015004, hep-ph/0107266.
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 M. Luty, J. Terning, and A. Grant, Phys. Rev. D63 (2001) 075001, hep-ph/0006224.
- 17. Holographic RG and Cosmology in theories with quasilocalized gravity, C. Csáki, J. Erlich, T. Hollowood, and J. Terning, Phys. Rev. D63 (2001) 065019, hep-ph/0003076.
- 18. Cosmology of brane models with radion stabilization, C. Csáki, M. Graesser, L. Randall, and J. Terning, Phys. Rev. D62 (2000) 045015, hep-ph/9911406.
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- 24. Supergravity models for 3+1 dimensional QCD, C. Csáki, J. Russo, K. Sfetsos, J. Terning, Phys. Rev. D60 (1999) 044001, hep-th/9902067.
- 25. Improved single sector supersymmetry breaking, M. Luty and J. Terning, Phys. Rev. D60 (1999) 044001, hep-ph/9812290.
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Research Highlights

My research has focused primarily on quantum field theory and particle physics phenomenology. My goal is to address some of the fundamental questions of particle physics: What is the source of electroweak symmetry breaking? Why are there different flavors of quarks and leptons? Why do they have different masses? To answer these questions I have worked on supersymmetry, particle cosmology, and precision electroweak tests of the standard model.

Extra Dimensions

The realization of the feasibility of millimeter or inverse TeV sized extra dimensions has opened up new classes of theories, especially in the area of electroweak symmetry breaking. My most recent work has focused on the possibility of Higgless electroweak symmetry breaking [1]. My collaborators and I have shown that WW scattering is unitary [4] in a 5D theory without a Higgs, provided that the gauge symmetry breaking is achieved through Dirichlet boundary conditions. In a warped anti-de Sitter (AdS) background (like the Randall-Sundrum model) a custodial symmetry can ensure the correct ratio for the W and Z masses.

Earlier we showed how deconstruction [15] (a.k.a. latticization) of a 5D Grand Unified Theory (GUT) allows the GUT gauge symmetry to be broken by an analogue of the Scherk-Schwarz mechanism, and also allows the doublet-triplet splitting problem to be resolved in a simple way.

Supersymmetry (SUSY)

Our understanding of supersymmetric gauge theories has been revolutionized by the work of Seiberg, Witten, and Maldacena. I have devoted substantial effort time to studying $\mathcal{N}=1$ SUSY gauge theories with the new non-perturbative tools that have become available. With my collaborator [33] I found a new mechanism for dynamical SUSY breaking that can produce realistic masses for the superpartners (squarks, sleptons, and gauginos) of the observed standard model particles. We also developed a class of models in which new strongly coupled gauge interactions both dynamically break SUSY and form composite quarks, squarks, leptons, and sleptons [21,25,32]. Previously realistic models have relied on messenger (gravitational or gauge) interactions to communicate the SUSY breaking from a strongly coupled sector to the weakly coupled superpartners. In our models these particles couple directly to the SUSY breaking dynamics so there is no need for intermediate messengers at all. In addition to this economy, these models can solve the SUSY flavor problem and also predict a unification of squark and slepton masses independent of gauge coupling unification. I also recently worked on a SUSY model that breaks electroweak symmetry by strong SUSY dynamics, which can be analyzed using Seiberg duality, and solves the μ problem [16].

Following the work of Maldacena and Witten on the correspondence between M-theory/supergravity on AdS backgrounds and conformal $\mathcal{N}=4$ SUSY gauge theories, we have tested the correspondence between orbifolded AdS theories and conformal gauge theories with fewer SUSY charges, including non-SUSY theories [29]. Using the correspondence between M-theory/supergravity on blackhole AdS backgrounds and non-SUSY QCD, we calculated ratios of glueball masses [22,24,26,28] in three and four dimensions in a strong

coupling, large N_c limit of QCD. We found that these ratios are in good agreement with the available lattice data.

We have also found exact results arising as a consequence of duality. We found a set of SUSY gauge theories that were self-dual [38], i.e. theories with dual descriptions that had different fundamental fields and different interactions, but with the same gauge structure. It had been conjectured that SUSY theories with matter in the adjoint representation of the gauge group and no superpotential were related to string theories. My collaborators and I found an infinite sequence of dual descriptions for such theories [40]. We also found evidence for a new type of non-perturbative phenomena: as the number of matter fields is varied, an interacting conformal theory splits into interacting and free sectors [40]. I also constructed a new dual description for certain chiral SUSY gauge theories [31]. It was previously known that these theories confine with three of four flavors; I demonstrated that with five flavors they simultaneously possess both an interacting infrared fixed point and a free sector. We also produced new D-brane constructions of related SUSY gauge theories with matter in tensor representations [30] and examined how duality is related to D-brane motions in M-theory.

Most recently [9] we studied the Seiberg-Witten curve for the deconstructed version of the 6D (0,2) theory on a torus, which clarified the nature of the low-energy effective field theory.

Particle Cosmology

Cosmology offers particle physicists a method of testing models that is complementary to accelerator experiments. Particles that cannot be produced easily in accelerators can have drastic effects in the early universe. This can be seen in the new theories of gravity that involve submillimeter extra dimensions. My collaborators and I recently put severe constraints on a class of such theories [23]. In these models, oscillations of the light field (the radion, a particular type of modulus field) that determines the size of the extra dimensions can over-close the universe. It had been proposed that a period of late inflation could solve this problem, however we found that the required inflaton scale is so low that it cannot successfully reheat the universe. We also found that in a five dimensional AdS scenario (the Randall-Sundrum model) for solving the hierarchy problem, the extra dimensional gravity can force the universe to collapse shortly after becoming matter dominated [19], thus such theories cannot describe our universe. We later found that when such models are stabilized by additional interactions, they are cosmologically viable and the radion must have Higgs-like interactions [18]. We also used string theory techniques to analyze certain models where gravity is four dimensional at intermediate distances, but five dimensional at long distances [17].

Recently we showed that axions can explain the dimming of distant supernovae [14] just as well as an accelerating Universe. We also found that axions may play a role in generating trans-GZK cosmic rays [6].

Precision Electroweak Tests

My early research emphasized studying the effects of non-standard-model physics on precision electroweak measurements. These measurements are important for constraining and ruling out a variety of models that purport to be more fundamental than the standard model of particle physics. This work often involved building effective field theories to describe the most important degrees of freedom at a particular energy, and relating the properties of such theories to the underlying dynamics.

Early on I studied the effects of technicolor interactions on precision electroweak measurements [65]. Such contributions to electroweak vacuum polarizations are now conventionally described by the parameters S and T. The S parameter describes a momentum-dependent (kinetic) mixing of the electroweak gauge bosons, while the T parameter involves isospin breaking, which splits the W and Z masses We found that QCD-like technicolor models give large corrections to Z physics; in other words, they give contributions to S of order 1. Current measurements of S can thus rule out a large class of technicolor models.

Present data tend to give central values for S and T which are small, or negative. Most theories of non-standard physics give rise to positive values for S and T. We also showed that heavy Majorana fermions (i.e. fermions whose masses violate the conservation of fermion number) can give negative contributions to the S and T parameters [62].

I have also examined corrections that are complementary to S and T [56]. The corrections from S and T are flavor blind, since they arise from vacuum polarization effects. Thus measurements of S and T are insensitive to new, flavor-dependent physics that can appear in vertex corrections. Generally we expect the heaviest family of fermions to couple most strongly to flavor physics. Generically, extended technicolor gauge boson corrections decrease the partial width from the standard model expectation, so a large class of such models can be ruled out by current measurements. I have also looked at models where two gauge groups mix to produce the electroweak gauge group [46,51]. In these models, the extended technicolor corrections increase the $Z \to b\bar{b}$ width and cancel to a large extent with the corrections from extra electroweak gauge bosons, and thus can be consistent with current data.

We recently used precision electroweak measurements to tightly constraint the parameters of the Randall-Sundrum model [12] as well as a variety of proposed Little Higgs models [3,5,8].

Most of the work described above has been done with collaborators at several universities; I expect that these very fruitful collaborations will continue in the future.

Current Research Interests

Csaba Csáki, Christophe Grojean, Yuri Shirman, and I are working on alternative models of electroweak symmetry breaking, focusing on extra dimensions. I am working with Witold Skiba on the phenomenology of inflation. Csaba Csáki and I are also working on new applications of superconformal field theories.